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PRESS Sports

Warrior Nine Ready for Battle

Mid-Season Training For Warrior's Open For Metro Conference Start on Tuesday

With the Metropolitan baseball conference opening Tuesday, March 21, the El Camino Warriors are rounding into mid-season form. After nine pre-league practice games, Coach Chuck Freeman's Indians sport a 5-3-1 record with eight more practice contests on schedule. Although the Warriors outfit their opponents with 8.8 safeties per game 7.0, ECC's foes have averaged 5.6 runs per game to Camino's 5.1.

Memorial Race Scheduled for Sunday, Mar. 26

A record field of 33 riders will boom off to start the Jimmy Phillips Memorial, the 100-lap TT motorcycle race on the tight 9-turn course at Ascot Stadium Sunday afternoon, March 26.

Never before has such a field been thrown together in a single race at the Gardena plant, and problems galore are certain to confront the jockeys throughout the 100-lapper, biggest TT chast in the nation this year.

J. C. Agajian will start the fastest 30 qualifiers, regardless of classification, along with the first three from a 10-lap semi-main. All - important qualifying starts March 26 at 12 noon with the first race flagging off at 2:30.



DUNDEE JONES ... ECC's leading hitter

Net Pounders Meet Tomorrow At El Camino

Men of the backcourts at El Camino College will volley for serves with East Los Angeles, tomorrow, on the Warriors' home courts at 2:30 p.m. East L.A. will be the second Metropolitan contestant to face the troops of Coach Norm Verry since the season opened Wednesday with a match against L.A. Valley.

At a match played in cold, dark, and windy, weather at Long Beach State College, El Camino swatted the tennis balls around for a 8 1/2 to 1 1/2 victory. Jerry Stone, Allan Roth, Mark Dolansky, Richard Pasol, Brian Lucas, and Ted Piner all won their singles matches. El Camino's first and second doubles teams last while the third doubles pair tied with one set apiece when foul weather hampered play.

After the afternoon's match with East L.A., the netters settle down to eight Metropolitan matches in a row before the Ojai Tournament April 27-30. El Camino will send two singles and one doubles team to the event.

TEACHER A teacher is like a candle—each consume themselves in giving light to others.



LOOSENING UP—Ready for action is Southpaw Don Patera, one of El Camino College's nine hurlers this season. An All-Bay League selection during prep days, Patera is expected to see plenty of action with the Warriors when the Conference season starts against East LA March 21.

Junior High Basketball League Standing Told

Jim Esparza's Ambassadors basketball league by defeating the Celtics 50-24. Richard Puckett, the smallest boy in the league height wise, was a giant on the basketball floor as he led the Ambassadors to victory with 19 points. Esparza and Gonzales contributed 17 and 14 points respectively. Mike McHahn was the top gun on the Celtics with 13 points.

LET'S GO BOWLING With Darlene Cope

Every once in a while, you encounter a person with that special ability to see a problem and then go out and do something about solving it.

BOWLING BUG Gable House is proud to have a person like this and she is Mrs. W. R. Caudle or as most of you bowlers know her—Ruth Caudle.



Ruth, who will be 55 years young in May and who resides at 1303 Electric St., Gardena has been bowling for only four years. She used to be a lingerie fitter at the Broadway, but as work goes, it soon gets very tiring. One day a lady, wearing a bowling shirt and slacks and who bowled on the store league, stopped to chat with Ruth. Ruth could feel this woman's excitement about bowling and began asking questions about the sport. Before Ruth knew it, she had volunteered to substitute on a league the very next week for this women. Having to go out and buy a pair of slacks to look the part, Ruth showed up the next week for league play. Little did she know then, that there was more to bowling than just rolling a ball. The captain of her team took her aside and told her of the many league courtesies one has to exercise. Much to her embarrassment, she was not invited back to sub again. But this was not her place to quit, Ruth decided that she was going to learn how to bowl—and bowl better than anyone on that team.

That next Christmas, her husband gifted her with her own ball, bag, and shoes. Now her outfit was complete. She then joined another league and before it was over, had her 200 pin. At this time, Ruth was a three step bowler. A short time later an instructor in the Buddy Bomar Bowling Clinic changed her approach to a four step.

EIGHT CONSECUTIVE STRIKES At the age of 52, Ruth and Bill joined a Wednesday night league. One night she wasn't doing well and had a very low score in the fourth frame. She sat back and told Bill, "I guess this just isn't my night. I'm not going to worry anymore about it." After that exclamation, Ruth rolled eight consecutive strikes for a 232 game.

Since then, Ruth's highest sanctioned scratch game and series are 246 and 577. About this same time, Ruth became ill and very nervous so had to quit work. The doctor told her to take up a hobby and relax. This is when she decided to form her 50 and Over Bowling Club. The club has been active for a year and has 23 members—all enjoying themselves. Ruth had each member write a brief statement on what the club meant and what it had done for him. One member called the club her weekly pepper-upper while another wrote—youth is youth and age is age and never the twain shall compete.

Mr. and Mrs. Caudle and members looked around southland bowling establishments and choose Gable House for its friendly homey atmosphere. Most of all Ruth liked Jerry Homel for his never ending helpfulness.

CERTIFIED INSTRUCTOR To further her bowling knowledge, Ruth attended the Buddy Bomar School of Bowling Instruction and obtained her certificate and official patches.

One day while visiting a local house, Ruth saw an elderly woman trying to bowl but having a difficult time. Ruth offered her services and soon learned that the lady had arthritis. This inspiration lead to the program—bowling clinic for arthritics. Ruth called a doctor and asked his advice on the clinic. He thought the idea was wonderful, but cautioned that proper instruction should be given.

Ruth now conducts this class at Gable every Wednesday afternoon from 1-3 o'clock. In summing up, Mrs. Caudle's theory is that she firmly believes that bowling is the only exercise that people in her age group can enjoy fully without fear of over exercising. As the 50 and Over Bowling Club motto states—Stay Young—Stay Happy—Stay Healthy—Learn to bowl.

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CHATting WITH ANGEL THIRD BASEMAN E. YOST

PALM SPRINGS. Great fielding and hitting third basemen have been rare in the history of major league baseball. Generally the third sackers are plenty of field and little hit or good stickman and sloppy fielder.

Many years ago Red Rolfe of the New York Yankees was a rare one. He played the hot corner like he owned it and his treatment of opposing pitchers was ferocious. Of more recent vintage Eddie Mathews of Milwaukee is passable as an infielder and great as a hitter. Others have tried to combine both qualities and failed. Eddie Yost of the Angels is tremendous with the glove but not so potent with the stick. However, he, at 34, is valuable to the Angels in numerous other ways as reported in a taped interview with this writer.



YOST

COMPARED TO GREAT WALK MEN

What minor league experience did you have before you broke into the majors with the Washington Senators in 1944?

None. I guess you can say I'm one of the few—like Sandy Koufax of the Dodgers.

How do you rank with the great walk men of the majors?

Irv Kaze, our publicity man, tells me that I'm fourth, behind Ruth, Ted Williams and Mel Ott.

To what do you attribute your ability to work pitchers for walks?

Many managers say its sharp eyes and excellent bat control. All I can say is that I don't go after bad pitches.

How many games have you played in during your long career?

Up to now, 1,981. In one stretch I played in 838 consecutive games.

MANY RECORDS They tell me that you hold a few league records. What are they?

In 1951 I played in most games—all of them in fact—154. In the same year I hit 36 doubles. I've played more games at third base than any other man in history. In '59 I scored 115 runs.

You must be proud of these feats?

Yes I am, but I'm not too happy over my lifetime batting average of .255. I feel I'm a .270 or 80 hitter.

Do you think California playing will lengthen your career?

Yes. The even weather here and in Los Angeles is good for ballplayers. In Washington and Detroit we didn't know what to expect from the elements. Either it was too hot, muggy, damp, or too cold.

Did you think you were all-washed up before the Angels got you in the draft?

No. I've got a few good years left. I've got to play. I want to raise that batting average.

What are your plans afterwards?

I want to manage.

Many of the writers here are predicting that the team will be lucky if they finish just ahead of the new Washington team. What's your guess?

Mister I'm not guessing. We'll finish better than most. If everyone starts to click right and we don't get any bad injuries we can do real well for ourselves.

More and more each day the feeling grows here that the club will surprise the entire baseball world in their first American League season. Yost is one of some thirty-odd Angels in camp with renewed confidence. If your reporter chats with one or two more Aury lads I'll probably end up predicting them to finish in the first division.

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